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Virg Bernero, Mayor



RECYCLING IN LANSING BENEFITS THE ENVIRONMENT

The City of Lansing collected nearly 6000 tons of recyclables in 2015 contributing to the conservation of energy and natural resources in the following ways:

Total Energy Saved: 26,620,089 kWh

Total Trees Saved: 93,493 Trees from paper products

Total Gasoline Saved: 2,518,556 Gallons from Tin Plate production

Total Water Saved: 40,665,447 Gallons

NEW E-WASTE FEES AT RECYCLE RAMA

Due to costly increases in processing fees for proper recovery of some electronic waste (e-waste), there will be a \$20.00 fee for each computer monitor or TV brought to the annual Recycle Rama event. All other items such as clothing, scrap metal, appliances, Styrofoam, etc. will continue to be accepted at no charge. We regret the need to pass these costs along; however, the cost increases came late in our planning and didn't allow for proper fundraising or budget adjustments to occur. Please see more Recycle Rama event information on page 7.



It's important to keep electronic waste out of landfills. If you can't make it to Recycle Rama, some retail stores, such as Best Buy and Staples offer recycling of certain items. Please check with stores for specific information.

NEW RECYCLING COLLECTION DAY REMINDER TOOL

Never forget your recycling day again with the new My Waste tool! The My Waste tool makes it easy to find and remember your pick up day.

It's easy to get started:

1. Go to lansingrecycles.com
2. Click "Collection Day Schedule and Reminder" from the left column of the page.



CART Hotline: (517) 483-4400

E-Mail: recycle@lansingmi.gov

Website: www.lansingrecycles.com

Residential Guide to Single-Stream Recycling



File folders, office paper
& gift wrapping paper



Cartons



#1-#2 and #4-#7 Plastic containers
(no Styrofoam)



Aluminum & Metal Cans

Newspapers,
Magazines,
Brochures &
Inserts



Paperboard boxes
(cereal, pasta, & tissue)



Corrugated cardboard &
Paper bags



Household scrap metal

NO NEED TO REMOVE:

Paper clips, stamps,
address labels, staples,
metal fasteners,
cellophane address
windows, rubber bands,
spiral bindings, plastic tabs



Phonebooks

Greeting cards,
regular &
junk mail



Glass bottles & jars
(all colors)



Bulky Rigid Plastic
(buckets, chairs, toys)

NO

- Plastic Bags
- Styrofoam containers
- Wire hangers
- Window panes, mirrors, ceramics & Pyrex dishware
- Organic material and food waste
- Electronic waste (batteries, cell phones, computers, etc.)
- Paint, pesticides, oil & cleaners
- Waxed cardboard
- Needles or syringes
- #3 Plastics

Empty and rinse all containers.

Everything, including cardboard,
must fit inside cart with lid closed.

**Please follow these guidelines
and set your cart out by 7:00 am.**



Use your smartphone
to scan this QR code
and visit us online @
lansingrecycles.com



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Recycling & Yard Waste Information



Place all items at the curb by 7 a.m. on collection day. Carts must be off the curb within 24 hours.



Recycling Cart Collection

Recycling cart must be placed at the curb by 7 a.m. on collection day and **MUST** be removed within 24 hours. Collection is bi-weekly. Refer to calendar and map on pages 5 & 6 for your schedule.

No need to sort materials. Place all loose recyclables in green cart. See the Residential Guide to Single-Stream Recycling on page 2.

Have recyclables that won't fit inside the recycling cart? Put extra recyclables in a paper bag or cardboard box and place them next to the green cart. Please do not use plastic bins or totes. They will be picked up and recycled.

Seasonal Yard Waste Collection *Begins the week of April 11th, 2016*



Place leaves and grass clippings on the curbside in paper bags on your normal collection day.

Don't use City of Lansing trash bags, blue carts or private waste hauler carts for yard clippings.

Paper lawn care bags are available at most grocery & hardware stores.

Brush and tree trimmings must be less than 4 feet in length and less than 2 inches in diameter. Bundle securely with string or twine, or place in paper bags. **Please, NO wire.**

Please limit all bags and bundles to no more than 30 pounds.

Give Backyard Composting a Try

There is an easy, natural way to deal with leaves, grass clippings, food waste and other organic materials. A backyard compost pile is a great way to handle these materials in your yard, with minimal work and maximum benefit.

When these materials decompose, they break down and turn into a valuable, nutrient rich material that can be added to the lawn and garden.

Get started with CART's free information packet to learn how to maintain a backyard compost pile. Call **483-4400** or email recycle@lansingmi.gov to request your free packet.

simplerecycling Curbside pickup of Clothing and More!

With the Simple Recycling curbside pickup program, it's easy to make sure your unwanted clothing and textiles stay out of the landfill.

Use the special Simple Recycling bags to set out clothing, belts, purses, shoes, bedding, towels, curtains and stuffed animals. The complete list of acceptable items can be found at www.simplerecycling.com.

Need Simple Recycling bags? Please contact them directly at **866-835-5068** or info@simplerecycling.com.



Protect Our Sewer System

Do your part to keep lakes, rivers, wetlands, and groundwater clean. Help maintain our sewer systems and keep our environment clean:

Do not pour anything into storm sewer drains.

Dispose of items like paints, solvents and cleaners at the Ingham County Household Hazardous Waste collection. See page 7 for more information.

Keep storm sewer drains clear
of leaves, grass clippings, sticks and litter

Collect and recycle motor oil

Learn more about protecting our lakes and streams by visiting:
www.mywatersheds.org

Trash Disposal Information



Trash collection is every week. Place all items at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on collection day. Containers must be off the curb within 24 hours. Bags of trash must not exceed 30 pounds and must be visible from the street. Separate recyclable materials and yard waste from trash.

NO hazardous waste, herbicide, pesticides, wet paint, ash or coals, gasoline, or other explosive materials. Double bag animal waste and diapers. Properly dispose of needles and lancets by placing in plastic bottle or other rigid container before putting into household trash.

Did you know that the City of Lansing has provided trash collection services for over 100 years? This makes us the leader in convenient and affordable weekly curbside pickup. Choose the option that works best for you, either blue cart or blue bag service. Our range of trash services are sure to meet the needs of any size household.

Blue Trash Cart Service

These convenient and strong blue carts are for trash only. All trash in the carts must be bagged. Bagging trash will keep carts clean and minimize odors. Can't get your cart to the curb? Front door pick up is available for an additional fee each quarter.

Select the cart size that suits your needs:

[32-gallon cart](#)

\$42 for 3 months*

[65-gallon cart](#)

\$46 for 3 months*

[95-gallon cart](#)

\$52 for 3 months*

Pre-paid service billed quarterly with convenient payment options:

By Mail:

Send check or money order to:
City of Lansing, CART
601 E. South Street
Lansing, MI 48910

In Person:

City of Lansing,
Treasurer's Office –
1st floor of City Hall

Payment Drop Box:

City of Lansing, CART
601 E. South Street
Lansing, MI 48910

By Phone:

Call 483-4400

Online:

lansingrecycles.com

*Prices subject to change



Get signed up today with a quick phone call to 483-4400.



Blue City Trash Bags

Blue bags are available at many local grocery and convenience stores at a cost of \$8.75 for a package of five 30-gallon bags (prices subject to change).

Visit www.lansingrecycles.com for complete list of locations.



Bulk Trash Items

Large items over 30 pounds and longer than 4 feet, such as appliances or furniture, require a bulk collection sticker. Each individual item must be tagged.

Stickers are available at courtesy desks of many local grocery stores for \$33.00 per sticker (*prices subject to change*).

Call the CART Hotline at 483-4400 for a list of stores selling bulk-item stickers. Free bulk stickers are available to low income residents. Call 483-4400 for details.

Note: Refrigerator and freezer doors MUST be removed.



*Have Questions?
Call the CART Hotline at 483-4400*

Recycling Collection Information



Recycling collection is every other week using a green or blue week schedule. Find your collection week on the Recycling Collection Map on page 6 or use the online recycling map and calendar tool at www.lansingrecycles.com.

Save this Recycling Collection Schedule to make it easy to remember when to set out your green recycling cart.

Holidays that affect collection service are marked in yellow. Collections will be delayed for those with service on the day of the holiday and the days after the holiday.

For example, when a holiday falls on a Thursday, Thursday collections will be done on Friday.

Important Dates

2016 Holidays and Important Dates:

1/1 New Year's Day - Office closed.
No collection delay.

1/18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Office closed.
1 day collection delay.

2/15 President's Day - Office open. No collection delay.

3/25 Good Friday - Office closed. No collection delay.

5/30 Memorial Day - Office closed. 1 day collection delay.

7/4 Independence Day - Office closed.
1 day collection delay.

9/5 Labor Day - Office closed. 1 day collection delay.

11/24 Thanksgiving Day - Office closed 11/24 & 11/25.
1 day collection delay.

12/24 Christmas Eve - Office closed. No collection delay.

12/25 Christmas Day - Office closed. No collection delay.

12/31 New Year's Eve - Office closed. No collection delay.

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2016 Recycling Collection Schedule

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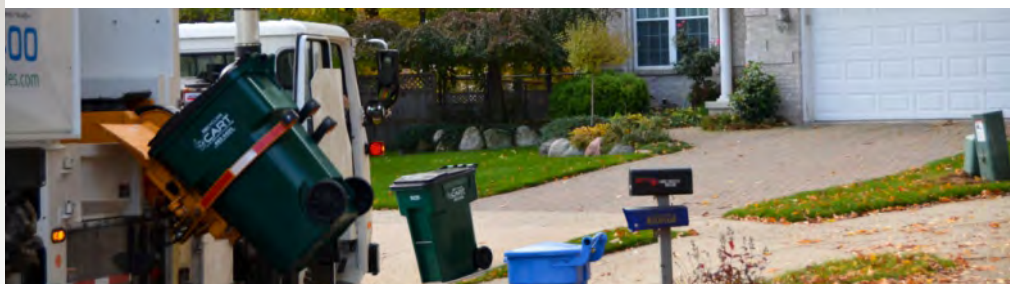
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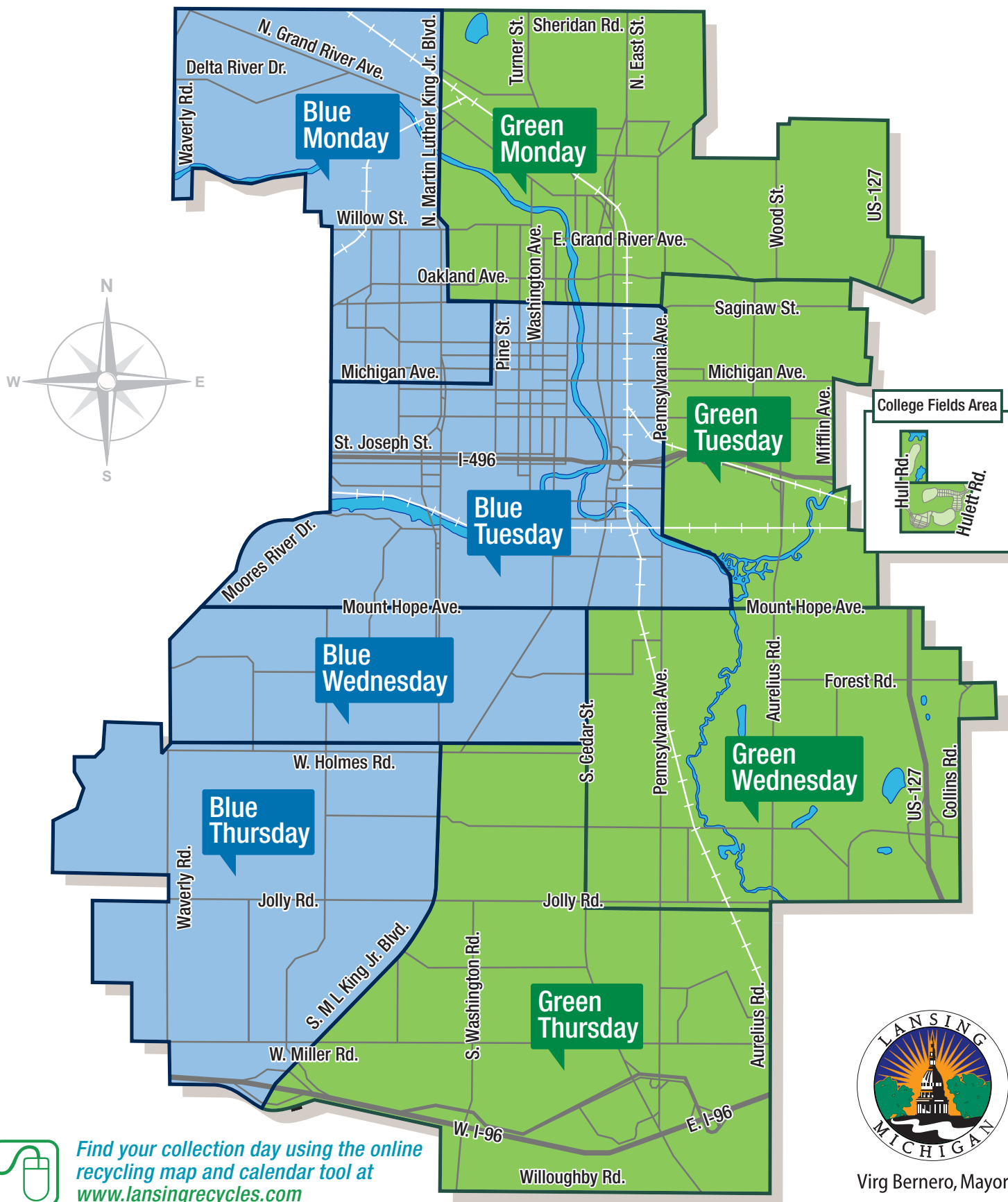
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Residential Recycling Routes



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Special Programs

Recycle Rama

Date: Saturday, April 16
Time: 9am-2pm
Location:
Ingham County Health Dept.
5303 S. Cedar St., Lansing

All traffic must enter from Northbound Cedar Street

**All items are free to drop off unless otherwise noted.
Donations accepted, not expected.**

BRING ONLY THESE ACCEPTED ITEMS:

**Appliances/Scrap metal/Room Air Conditioners
Bicycles**

Books: All types, hard and soft cover, telephone books, etc.

CD's and DVD's

Clothing and Shoes: Usable condition only

Dehumidifiers

Electronics – ONLY the following:

All TV's and computer monitors: **\$20.00 each (NEW FEE!)**
CPU's, Modems, keyboards, mice, speakers, desktops, circuit boards,
VCRs, DVD players, telephones, cellphones, etc. – **no charge**

Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids

Fabric/Yarn: Usable condition only. 1/4 skein or larger only - no scraps

Fluorescent bulbs / Tubes: Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFL'S)

Household Items: Plates, silverware, pots, pans & other items in
usable condition only - no furniture

Household Recycling: Printer paper, newspaper, junk mail, food &
beverage cartons, #1-#7 plastics, metal, boxboard, cardboard, phonebooks,
all colors of glass bottles and jars

Medication: Leave in original containers and cross out
personal information

Mercury Thermometers: Place in ziplock bag

Mercury Thermostats: Leave intact

Polystyrene Foam (Styrofoam): No packing peanuts

For More Information Contact:

**517-483-4400 • recycle@lansingmi.gov
www.lansingrecycles.com**

SPECIAL NOTICE: Batteries will not be accepted.

BWL residential electric customers that recycle
a working room air conditioner or dehumidifier
will receive a \$25.00 rebate
under the Hometown
Energy Savers Program.



Hazardous Waste

The Ingham County Health Department collects household hazardous waste, such as pesticides, chemicals and oil-based paints every Thursday from 2-6 p.m., May – September. Call 517-887-4312 for more information.



Capital Area Take Back Meds Program

Safely dispose of unwanted medicine at one of the local drop off sites. Go to www.takebackmeds.org to find out where or call 517-887-4312.

Be a Recycle Rama Volunteer!

This great community event needs the help of lots of volunteers. A Recycle Rama t-shirt and refreshments are provided.

**Sign up by calling
(517) 292-3078 or
online at:
[tinyurl.com/
RecycleRama2016](http://tinyurl.com/RecycleRama2016)**





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Operations and Maintenance Division
Capital Area Recycling and Trash**

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To Our Friends At:

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or email us at: recycle@lansingmi.gov

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*Please Recycle
This Newsletter*

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